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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

We use TracFone almost exclusively for emergency service when traveling. It is already fairly high when you consider how little it is used. We have been paying for one year's service at a time in order to keep the rate down. Our regular long distance calls are made under our standard long distance service from our home phone. AT A MINIMUM, there should be allowances made for such use since we already pay substantial taxes on our phone at home. We use this only for outgoing calls and do not even keep it on for incoming service.

PLEASE consider the difference in circumstances and usages before adding a charge that covers everyone. That would only impair the ability of people to keep emergency services at hand.

Thanks for your consideration.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members